

**SPECIAL ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY**  
**UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**  
*District of Idaho*  
*and*  
**BINGHAM COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**  
*in collaboration with*  
**THE EASTERN IDAHO SAUSA PROJECT**  
*and*  
**THE STATE OF IDAHO**

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**About the Office:**

The United States Attorney's Office represents the United States in criminal and civil actions in federal district court throughout the state of Idaho. It has offices in Boise, Pocatello, and Coeur d'Alene. The Criminal Division has approximately 20 attorneys. The Civil Division has 5-6 attorneys and is only based in Boise. This vacancy for a Special Assistant United States Attorney is located in the branch office in Pocatello, Idaho. Pocatello is located in the southeastern Idaho. The Special AUSA will be employed by a consortium comprising the Eastern Idaho SAUSA Project (EISP) (a working group of elected county and city officials in eastern Idaho), the Bingham County Prosecuting Attorney's Office (the official employer), and the State of Idaho. Although the Special AUSA will be officially employed by Bingham County, the attorney will work in the U.S. Attorney's Office in Pocatello and work almost exclusively on federal criminal cases in U.S. District Court.

**Responsibilities and Opportunity Offered:**

The United States Attorney's Office and the Bingham County Prosecuting Attorney's Office seek an experienced trial attorney for this Special AUSA position. The individual selected will be appointed a Deputy Bingham County Prosecutor, designated as a Special AUSA, and assigned to the United States Attorney's Office branch office in Pocatello. The individual selected will be responsible for handling a heavy criminal caseload involving a wide variety of criminal prosecutions, including violent crime, firearms, and drug offenses related to gang activity.

This position will be for a term of one year, but may extend beyond that, at the discretion of the United States Attorney's Office, the EISP and the Bingham County Prosecutor's Office.

**Qualifications:**

**Required qualifications:** Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be an active member of the Idaho State Bar, and have at least two years post-J.D. legal or other relevant experience.

**Preferred qualifications:** Ideally, an applicant will have: a record of academic excellence, demonstrated commitment to public

service, experience as a federal or state law clerk, three to six years of trial experience as a criminal prosecutor in state and/or federal court, a strong desire to practice in Idaho, and experience planning and executing case strategy. In addition, the ideal applicant will demonstrate superior written and oral communication skills, superior research skills, which should include successfully defending convictions on appeal, and a demonstrated ability to work well with others, including support staff, peers, and supervisors.

United States citizenship is required.

**Travel:**

Travel may be required both within and outside the District of Idaho.

**Type of Position:**

This is a Special AUSA position. The employer will be a consortium comprising the EISP, the Bingham County Prosecuting Attorney's Office (the official employer), and the State of Idaho.

**Salary Information:**

The Special AUSA pay will be determined, in part, on the number years of attorney experience. Salary will be in the \$65,000 to \$70,000 range.

**Location:**

Pocatello, Idaho

**Relocation Expenses:**

Relocation expenses will not be authorized.

**Application Process  
and Deadline:**

Interested persons should send an original, signed cover letter; detailed resume; writing sample (ideally, edited solely by the applicant and 7-12 pages in length, with substantive legal analysis), and two references who may be called at any time during the hiring process. The signed cover letter should state why the applicant wants to work in the District of Idaho.

Applications must be received by October 20, 2015.

Please send résumé to:

Wendy J. Olson  
United States Attorney  
c/o Becky Early  
800 Park Blvd, Suite 600  
Boise, ID 83712

No telephone calls please.

**Security Requirements:**

Initial appointment is conditioned upon a satisfactory

pre-employment adjudication. This includes fingerprint, credit and tax checks, and drug testing. In addition, continued employment is subject to a favorable adjudication of a background investigation.

**Department Policies:**

Special Assistant United States Attorneys must reside in the district to which he or she is appointed or within 25 miles thereof. See 28 U.S.C. § 545 for district-specific information.

The U.S. Department of Justice and the Bingham County Prosecutor's Office are Equal Opportunity/Reasonable Accommodation Employers. Except where otherwise provided by law, there will be no discrimination because of color, race, religion, national origin, political affiliation, marital status, disability (physical or mental), age, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, genetic information, status as a parent, membership or non-membership in an employee organization, on the basis of personal favoritism, or any non-merit factor. The Department of Justice welcomes and encourages applications from persons with physical and mental disabilities. The Department is firmly committed to satisfying its affirmative obligations under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, to ensure that persons with disabilities have every opportunity to be hired and advanced on the basis of merit within the Department of Justice. This agency provides reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities where appropriate. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

It is the policy of the Department to achieve a drug-free workplace and persons selected for employment will be required to pass a drug test which screens for illegal drug use prior to final appointment. Employment is also contingent upon the completion and satisfactory adjudication of a background investigation. Only U.S. citizens are eligible for employment with the Executive Office for Immigration Review and the United States Attorneys' Offices. Unless otherwise indicated in a particular job advertisement, non-U.S. Citizens may apply for employment with other organizations, but should be advised that appointments of non-U.S. Citizens are extremely rare; such appointments would be possible only if necessary to accomplish the Department's mission and would be subject to strict security requirements. Applicants who hold dual citizenship in the U.S. and another country will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

There is no formal rating system for applying veterans' preference to attorney appointments in the excepted service; however, the Department of Justice considers veterans' preference eligibility as a positive factor in attorney hiring. Applicants eligible for veterans' preference must include that information in their cover letter or resume and attach supporting documentation (e.g., the DD 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty and other supporting documentation) to their submissions. Although the "point" system is not used, per se, applicants eligible to claim 10-point preference must submit Standard Form (SF) 15,

Application for 10-Point Veteran Preference, and submit the supporting documentation required for the specific type of preference claimed (visit the OPM website, [www.opm.gov/forms/pdf\\_fill/SF15.pdf](http://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf_fill/SF15.pdf) for a copy of SF 15, which lists the types of 10-point preferences and the required supporting document(s). Applicants should note that SF 15 requires supporting documentation associated with service-connected disabilities or receipt of nonservice-connected disability pensions to be dated 1991 or later except in the case of service members submitting official statements or retirement orders from a branch of the Armed Forces showing that his or her retirement was due to a permanent service-connected disability or that he/she was transferred to the permanent disability retired list (the statement or retirement orders must indicate that the disability is 10% or more).

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